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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 114, of the above-identified application.

The RCE fee of \$790.00 (\$790 - large entity/\$395 - small entity) and any extension/ suspension fee, is submitted herewith.

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